

Arkansas Lands.

A Few Facts You Ought to Know.

It Might Mean Your Independence. Your Fortune.

ARKANSAS has led all the great agricultural states of the Union for the last 10 years in the value of farm products per acre.

FURTHER, in this ten year period, Arkansas has made a greater percentage of gain in everything relating to agriculture than has been made by any other state of the great Mississippi Valley.

YOU DON'T BELIEVE IT? Well here are the figures of the Census Bureau: For this period the average value of farm products per acre in Louisiana was \$15.19; in Missouri, \$13.54; in Iowa, \$14.52; in Indiana, \$16.35; in Ohio, \$17.62; in Illinois, \$17.24; in Arkansas, \$22.04. This statement takes into account the list of staple products—the grains, potatoes, hay and forage crops; not fruit or truck crops.

In Iowa, this value of products represented a gross return of 17.5 per cent on the average value of all farm lands in 1910; in Illinois the gross return was 18.1 per cent on the average value of farm lands; in Arkansas, the gross return was 157.4 per cent on the average value of farm lands.

In the years from 1900 to 1910, the gross value of farm lands in Ohio showed an increase of 57.4 per cent; in Indiana the increase was 93.2 per cent; in Iowa, 123 per cent; in Illinois, 104.1 per cent; in Arkansas, 134.1 per cent—greater than any of those rich, strong, highly developed states of the North.

In that same period the average value per acre of farm lands in Ohio increased 59.9 per cent; in Indiana, 96 per cent; in Illinois, 105.8 per cent; in Arkansas, 123.6 per cent.

In this same ten-year period the value of all farm property per acre in Ohio increased 61.3 per cent; in Indiana, 87.6 per cent; in Missouri, 95.3 per cent; in Iowa, 108.1 per cent; in Illinois, 96.5 per cent; in Arkansas, 110.7 per cent.

In this same ten-year period the value of farm buildings per acre in Ohio increased 70.5 per cent; in Indiana, 75.2 per cent; in Iowa, 92.8 per cent; in Missouri, 78.7 per cent; in Illinois, 73.3 per cent; in Arkansas, 100.6 per cent.

In this same ten-year period the value of farm implements and machinery per acre in Ohio increased 43.2 per cent; in Indiana, 52.4 per cent; in Iowa, 67.3 per cent; in Missouri, 75 per cent; in Illinois, 52.4 per cent; in Arkansas, 83 per cent.

In this same ten-year period the value of live stock per acre in Ohio increased 59.3 per cent; in Indiana, 60.9 per cent; in Iowa, 43.7 per cent; in Missouri, 75 per cent; in Illinois, 60.6 per cent; in Arkansas, 88.9 per cent.

In this same ten-year period, Arkansas made a greater percentage of gain in rural population than any other state of the Mississippi Valley. Louisiana gained 15.9 per cent; Missouri lost 5.1 per cent; Indiana, 5.1 per cent; Iowa lost 7.2 per cent; Illinois gained 3 per cent; Arkansas gained 16.3 per cent. The increase in rural population in the United States as a whole in this time was 11.2 per cent.

For this same ten-year period, Arkansas heads the whole list of Mississippi Valley states in percentage of gain in urban population. The gain in Louisiana was 30.3 per cent; in Missouri, 22.3 per cent; in Indiana, 30.5 per cent; in Ohio, 31.5 per cent; in Iowa, 19.9 per cent; in Illinois, 30.4 per cent; in Arkansas, 53.9 per cent. The increase in the United States as a whole was 34.8 per cent. AND MARK US: Arkansas has no boom towns. Her town growth has followed, safely and soundly, her agricultural development.

In Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois and Indiana, with good farm methods, the production of pork is about 450 pounds per acre, and the cost ranges from 5c to 6c per pound, or even higher, depending upon the price of corn and the severity of the winter season. In Arkansas, where corn enters to a much less extent into the operation, and where the winters are short and mild, permitting many more months of pasturage, the production with good farming is 1000 pounds per acre, at a cost of 2c per pound. The State Experiment Station got 1252 pounds per acre, at a cost of 1 3/4 cents.

We are not real estate agents, but an organization of the business men of Bearden and vicinity, who, feeling that the outside world do not appreciate the opportunities that our locality offers, have banded ourselves together for the purpose of promoting the farming interests, and developing the farming districts; and will treat you right if you come among us.

In order to protect the buyer and seller, we have decided to list all the land we can get, which will save you large real estate commissions, or the middle man's profit.

We have published a handsome booklet, filled with pictures and a detailed description of our country, which is yours for the asking.

ARKANSAS—The State of Opportunities.
BEARDEN—The Eden of Arkansas.

LOCATED—On the Cotton Belt Railroad, 54 miles South of Pine Bluff, 16 miles North of Camden.

For further information, write J. A. McLeod, Secretary, Bearden, Arkansas, or call on me for literature.

F. L. ZELLER,
OREGON, : : MISSOURI.

—R. C. Benton was in Maitland, Saturday last, on business.
—Joe Morris, southwest of Bigelow, was in Oregon, a short time, Wednesday.
—Frank Golden, of the Shaffer school district, was in town, Wednesday.
—Mrs. Earl Benton and daughter, Ruth, were visiting with Grandpa and Grandma Benton, several days, this week.
—See Ruley & Kunkel for your hard coal.
—Frank Walker, of Bigelow, was in Oregon, Tuesday last, on business.
—Bert Drake, wife and children, of Fort Smith, Arkansas, are visiting relatives and friends in Oregon and vicinity.
—Ray Ferbrache, who has been in the Ensworth hospital, St. Joseph, for several days, on account of a fractured arm, is still suffering from the injury. We hope to soon hear of his complete recovery.

Forest City.

—Lige Hopper and C. Hunt left Monday for Colorado.

—Miss Fannie Meyer visited at the home of Offie Cole, Sunday.

—Dr. McElanahan is recovering from a severe attack of lung trouble.

—There will be a teachers' meeting at the Christian church, Friday evening.

—Mrs. Combs was the guest of her son, Neal, and family in Oregon, Sunday.

—Nate Martin, of Clarinda, Iowa, was the guest of relatives here, Sunday.

—Cad. McCoy, of Mound City, was a business visitor here, one day, last week.

—Miss Alice Brown, of Iowa, is the guest of relatives and friends here at present.

—Mrs. Frank Kunkel and Mrs. Perry Turney spent Saturday, visiting in Amazonia.

—Miss Catherine Hamilton has been having a siege with the gripe for the past week.

—Harry Frazier and family, of near Curzon, visited relatives here, Monday and Tuesday.

—Mrs. Henry Bowles and daughter, Miss Fern, were guests of friends here, one day, last week.

—Mrs. Bert Hamilton left Friday for a few days' visit in Napier, before returning to her home in Quilman.

—Mrs. Carrie Long left Friday for her home in Hamburg, Iowa, after a visit of several weeks with relatives here.

There will be services at the Baptist church, Sunday, morning and evening, conducted by the pastor, Rev. F. L. Stiltion.

—Daniel Kunkel and wife, of Oregon, were in the city, one day, last week, and visited at the home of Frank Kunkel.

—Rev. C. C. Miller will hold church services at Kinsey, Sunday morning, and at the M. E. church here in the evening.

—Mrs. Potter, of Missoula, Montana, is the guest of her children, Dave Stallard and Mrs. John Anderson, and families, this week.

—Mr. Waddle, who has been quite poorly with the dropsy, is convalescing slowly. His many friends hope to see him in his usual health again.

—Mrs. A. H. Acton, of near Guthrie, Okla., arrived in our city, Monday noon, and was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Gilbert Murry, until Tuesday, when she went to Oregon to visit her sister, Mrs. Hugh Pennel, who has been very low, but whom we are glad to learn, is now some better.

—Mrs. Lyda Bolton left for Kansas City, Saturday, and from there went to her home, Sunday.

—Fred and Ethel Davis went to Maitland, Saturday, to visit relatives and attend the protracted meetings.

—Mrs. Frank Crawford came home, Saturday, after several weeks in St. Joseph. She stood the triphome real well.

—The N. P. Mutual Telephone Co. held a representative meeting, Saturday night, at which they decided on the toll line to Mound City; elected Jesse Cain, secretary and re-elected the central.

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Presbyterian Church Notes.

An interesting report of the great missionary meetings, addressed by Dr. Robert M. Speers, in St. Joseph, last Saturday, was made by the pastor on Sunday morning, describing the Revolution and new Republic in China.

Mr. Harvey Evans, superintendent of the Sunday school, was away on a visit to his mother in Kansas, last Sunday, and Mr. Joe Murray, assistant superintendent, conducted the Sunday school. Mr. Evans is seldom away, and we wish for him always a pleasant visit.

The Christian Endeavor meeting was very good last Sunday, under the leadership of Mrs. Emma Scott. The social committee is planning a social to be held soon.

The union service at the Christian church, last Sunday night, was well attended, and it is hoped that these meetings will draw the Christian people into a closer fellowship and be the means of much good. The next meeting will be in the Methodist church on the fourth Sunday night in February.

Quite a number of our people have been down with the gripe, but we are glad to report at the present writing that they are all better.

Services will be held as usual next Sunday. Prayer meeting on Thursday night. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

PASTOR.

Woman's Union Program.

FEBRUARY 3, 1913.

Woman's Suffrage.

Roll Call. Current Events.

"Women of the Campaign," Miss Lois Richards.

"Which Side of the Fence?" Mrs. Netherland.

"Progress in Suffrage," Mrs. Munn.

"The Third Way in Suffrage," Mrs. Morris.

Music. Mrs. Roy Kunkel.

Social Hour.

County Clerk, F. L. Zeller, is back from his vacation in Arkansas, Bearden and Holly Springs, being his headquarters. He says they are having fine weather there, and all of the Holt county contingent are getting along fine, and are well satisfied. See what he has to say about that country in another column, in this issue.

Alfred and Ernest Bahler, Chas. A. Patterson and Henry Derr have returned from their trip to Monroe, Louisiana. The boys cut their trip short on account of the high water in that section of the country. Alfred said he could not swim, and did not care much about riding in a boat, so thought it best to come when they could travel in the cars.

Wm. Rostock, one mile east of Oregon, has Boars and Gifts for sale. They are long and deep bodied, and are thirty inches tall and over; they have eight inch bone, they are cut out for soap-pump hogs. His spring boars will weigh 250 pounds and better, just in breeding condition; they are not fat, just big and smooth. He has them in excellent condition, which is the main part to produce good, strong vigorous pigs. He feeds them very little corn, hence they are not burnt out with corn, which would make them unfit for breeding. If you want something that gets big at half the age that the hogs we used to have and have now, get one of these Improved Big Type Poland-Chinas. His sows and herd Boars are all recorded. They were carefully selected by him, regardless of price, in Iowa, and shipped right to Oregon. Call on or address, WM. ROSTOCK, Oregon, Mo.

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